

House Resolution 2131

By: Representative Smith of the 129th

A RESOLUTION

1 Welcoming Kia Motors Corporation to Georgia; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Kia Motors Corporation recently announced plans to build a manufacturing
3 plant in Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia has again partnered with a world-class company to see the
5 creation of thousands of jobs for the citizens of this state; and

6 WHEREAS, the incentives offered by the state to Kia are an investment in Georgia's future
7 and were necessary to create economic opportunity and prosperity in an area of the state that
8 has been hard hit by the downturn in the textiles industry; and

9 WHEREAS, Kia's decision to locate in Georgia is a testament to our state's assets, including
10 an established supplier's network, a skilled work force, and an efficient logistics
11 infrastructure; and

12 WHEREAS, Kia will invest over \$1,200,000,000 into the Georgia economy and along with
13 their suppliers will have a tremendous economic impact by creating over 14,000 new jobs
14 in Georgia; and

15 WHEREAS, a groundbreaking will be held at the site on April 26, 2006, and the plant will
16 reach full production by 2009; and

17 WHEREAS, the effort to attract the plant to Georgia was led by Governor Sonny Perdue, the
18 staff of the Georgia Department of Economic Development, and local groups, including the
19 Development Authority of LaGrange, the LaGrange-Troup County Chamber of Commerce,
20 the West Point Development Authority, the Cities of LaGrange and West Point, and Troup
21 County.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body welcome Kia Motors Corporation to Georgia and congratulate all
3 the groups that worked together to attract this plant to Georgia.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Kia Motors Corporation,
6 Governor Sonny Perdue, the Georgia Department of Economic Development, the
7 Development Authority of LaGrange, the LaGrange-Troup County Chamber of Commerce,
8 the West Point Development Authority, the Cities of LaGrange and West Point, and Troup
9 County.